

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the overlaid execution statistics ~~information~~ indicates the number of times a certain step was executed.

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5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising ~~the step of:~~ selectively overlaying the gathered execution statistics ~~information~~ over the workflow diagram.

6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 5, wherein the execution statistics are ~~information is~~ selectively displayed by positioning a pointer over the display.

7. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising ~~the step of~~ color coding the displayed execution statistics information.

8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 7, wherein the ~~information is~~ execution statistics are color coded based on threshold values.

9. (Currently Amended) A workflow system comprising:  
a workflow server engine for executing workflows;  
a display device for displaying workflow diagrams; and  
an overlay data provider for providing ~~statistical information~~ execution statistics relating to an executing workflow to be overlaid over a workflow diagram displayed on the display device.

10. (Original) The workflow system of claim 9, wherein the display device is a workflow editor.

11-12 (Cancelled)

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13. (Currently Amended) A method of collecting information relating to a workflow driven by a computer system; comprising ~~the steps of:~~  
executing the workflow;  
collecting ~~statistical information~~ execution statistics relating to the execution of the workflow on the computer system;  
displaying a workflow diagram of the workflow being executed on a display screen associated with the computer system; and  
overlying the ~~statistical information~~ execution statistics on the workflow diagram.

14. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13 further comprising ~~the step of~~ displaying the collected information on the display screen.

15. (Cancelled)

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16. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein the collected ~~statistical information~~ execution statistics includes the number of times a step in the workflow is executed.

17-18 (Cancelled)

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19. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein the collected ~~statistical information~~ execution statistics includes the execution time of one or more steps.

20. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein the collected ~~statistical information~~ execution statistics includes the number of exceptions encountered during execution of the workflow.

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21. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein the collected ~~statistical information~~ is execution statistics displayed as a raw number.

22. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein the collected ~~statistical information~~ is execution statistics are displayed as a percentage.

23. (Cancelled)

24. (Currently Amended) A method of collecting information relating to a workflow driven by ~~information~~ a computer system comprising the steps of:  
executing the workflow;  
collecting ~~information~~ execution statistics relating to the execution of the workflow on the computer system, wherein the collected information includes the number of times a step in the workflow is executed; and  
displaying the collected information on a display screen associated with the computer system.

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25. (Currently Amended) A method of collecting information relating to a workflow driven by ~~information~~ a computer system comprising: the steps of:  
executing the workflow;  
collecting ~~information~~ execution statistics relating to the execution of the workflow on the computer system, wherein the collected information includes the execution time of one or more steps; and

displaying the collected information on a display screen associated with the computer system.

26. (Currently Amended) A method of collecting information relating to workflow driven by a computer system comprising: ~~the steps of:~~

executing the workflow;

collecting ~~information~~ execution statistics relating to the execution of the workflow on the computer system, wherein the collected

information includes the number of exceptions encountered during execution of the workflow; and

displaying the collected information on a display screen associated with the computer system.